

Town of Superior
Parks, Recreation, Open Space and Trails Advisory Committee (PROSTAC)
Meeting Notes
October 19, 2012

Members of the Committee in attendance: Brent Bickel, Jim Paine (Chair), Peter Bottomley, Sandie Hammerly, Aaron Atwell, Ron Sommer, Steve Smith. Quorum present. Absent: Bob Ivanauskas (excused), Daryl McCool (excused).

Others in attendance:

Town Board Liaison: Chris Hanson, Trustee.

Staff: Patrick Hammer, Recreation Superintendent, Martin Toth, Parks and Public Works Director.

Meeting called to order at 7:05 pm.

Agenda items:

1. Updates and Look-Ahead

- a. Town 9 Park Enhancement Project – construction is progressing after some delay due to unforeseen circumstances at the site. The naming process for the park via a community-wide contest to submit suggested names has been publicized through Town media, and staff contacted the schools. Staff will send postcards to each residence in Original Town and Sagamore inviting citizens to suggest names, and Chris Hanson will encourage students attending the field trip to Town Hall later this week to submit suggestions. Staff has had dialogue with local slackline manufacturer Gibbon regarding options for partnering to support the slackline installation at the park in some fashion. The firm is committed to having a presence at the park opening ceremony, and staff will follow-up with them as the event approaches.
- b. Coal Creek Crossing Final Development Plan – the Town Board voted at their October 8 meeting to approve this project.
- c. Town Comprehensive Plan Update – Planning Commission reviewed the draft plan at their October 18 meeting. The Town Board is scheduled to review at their November 13 meeting.
- d. US 36 Interchange & Trail Connection Improvements – RFP for the project has been released and submittals are due at the end of the year.
- e. Dog Park Lighting, users’ suggestions – Jim and Martin met with resident Laurie Mead to discuss her ideas regarding installation of lighting at the facility, share background information about how lighting was considered during the project review process, and let her know that the Committee will look at this issue over coming months.
- f. All County Meeting of Open Space Committees – the meeting was held last month and included representatives from each community in the County.

2. Discussion – Programs (Patrick Hammer). The Committee discussed with staff the project budgeted for 2013 to complete a programmatic survey that will include an online survey tool, community open houses, and discussions with current and potential partner groups. The Committee also discussed ongoing program-related items at Autrey Park. The Monarch HS mountain bike team has committed to helping quarterly with maintenance of the bike skills course; staff coordinated with local disc golf enthusiasts to host a beginners event over the summer; local resident Donelle Slater and her firm Dog TAG have hosted training classes in the area outside the dog facility; and the YMCA may program classes at the bike skills course next year.
3. Discussion (Continued) – Priorities for 2013 Budget. The Committee continued their discussion of the list of amenities assembled previously with items that have been suggested over the last year added to the list. The Committee members reviewed the updated spreadsheet Jim compiled that incorporated the information Sandie forwarded earlier today. The Committee reached consensus with the items as depicted, and will look to coordinate with the 2013 Work Plan to outline next steps.
4. Discussion (Continued) – 2012 Work Plan. The Committee discussed items to potentially be considered for next year’s Work Plan.

Meeting adjourned at 9:20 pm.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, November 28, 7:00 p.m. at Town Hall – *Note Special Date due to Thanksgiving.*